

## Interview Summary

Application No.  
**09/154,174**

Applicant(s)  
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Examiner  
**Michael Thaler**

Art Unit  
**3731**

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Andrew Rawlins

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Date of Interview May 6, 2003

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 41, 81, 94, 111, 126, 138, 152, and 164

Identification of prior art discussed:  
Buirge et al. Schatz (5,195,984)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The deletion of "passageway" in claim 41, line 1, for example, was discussed. The examiner reserved judgement on the patentability of the claim with such an amendment. It was pointed out to the examiner that claim 81 depends from claim 80 which was indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Therefore, it was argued, claim 81 should be free of any rejection based upon prior art. Also, the delivery sheath feature in claim 94, for example, was discussed.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

  
Examiner's signature, if required